FORM PTO-1390 MODIFIED TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES (DO/EO/US) PESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE. Unassigned CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED PCT/GB2004/003154 19 July 2004 25 July 2003 TITLE OF INVENTION **DRILLING METHOD** APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US ALBERTY et al Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. \Box This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f). The submission must include 3. \boxtimes items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. The U.S. has been elected (Article 31). A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2). is attached hereto (19 pages specification, 18 claims & 1 page abstract), 1 sheets drawings (Fig. 1)). a. b. has been communicated by the International Bureau. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). \Box An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3) is attached hereto (pages specification, claims & abstract (claims). sheets drawings, a. page Certificate of Translation). has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3) 7. \bowtie a. are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). 冈 b. have been communicated by the International Bureau. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has **NOT** expired. C. d. П have not been made and will not be made. An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3). An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4). a. Declaration was submitted to the International Bureau during International Phase (see copies of Declaration (3 page Form PCT/RO/101 and Form PCT/IB/371 and first page of printed publication acknowledging receipt thereof attached). An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 10. U.S.C. 371(c)(5). Items 11 To 20 below concern document(s) or information included: An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. 1.97 and 1.98. 11. 12. \boxtimes An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 3.28 and 3.31 is included. 13. a. \boxtimes A FIRST preliminary amendment. A SECOND or SUBSEQUENT preliminary amendment. b. 14. An Application Data Sheet under 37 C.F.R. § 1.76. 15. 🔲 A substitute specification. 16. A change of power of attorney and/or address letter. 17. A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821-1.825. A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). 19. 🔲 Other items or information. PCT/IB/304; Recordation Form Cover Sheet w/exec. Assignment (4 pgs); Amended Specififcation

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& Claim Sheets 1-18 (18 pgs); Int'l Search Report w/refs.

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Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this paper and attachment(s): One Month Extension \$120.00 (1251)/\$60.00 (2251); Two Month Extensions \$450.00 (1252)/\$225.00 (2252); Three Month Extensions \$1020.00 (1253/\$510.00 (2253); Four Month Extensions			
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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.			
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b. Please charge my Deposit Account No. 14-1140 in the amount of \$ to cover the above fees.			
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e. $\overline{\boxtimes}$ The entire content of International Application No. PCT/GB2004/003154 and any U.S. and foreign application(s) correspon	ding		
thereto, and , referred to in this application is/are hereby incorporated by reference in this application.			
NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 C.F.R. 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 C.F.R. 1.137	(a)		
or (b) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.			
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